



## Call for Proposals

The program committee for the Virginia Governor's Housing Conference is accepting proposals for workshops to be offered during the 2008 conference in Hampton, VA on November 12 - 14, 2008. The **deadline** for submission of workshop proposals is **MAY 16, 2008**.

Proposals are being sought that address a broad range of housing affordability and policy issues. Please feel free to fashion creative approaches to issues such as:

- Economic Development and Affordable Housing
- Meeting the Foreclosure Crisis with Successful Strategies
- Developing Affordable Housing in Rural Communities
- Strategies and Options Addressing Homelessness
- Mixed Income and Cultural Competency
- Green Building in Affordable Housing

Proposals may be submitted at: <http://www.dhcd.virginia.gov/ADMIN/GHC2008/proposal.asp>.

Program opportunities are available for 26 workshop sessions. Each session is 90-minutes and will be scheduled Thursday (morning and afternoon) and Friday (morning only). Additionally, there is a program opportunity for a 90-minute Community Development Bus Tour that will run once Thursday morning and again Thursday afternoon.

Workshops are targeted to individuals and organizations working in or with the affordable housing arena. Target audiences include: nonprofit organizations, housing providers, economic developers, local government elected officials, design professionals, financial institutions, government agencies, private developers, real estate professionals, trade organizations, and community-based and faith-based organizations.

The program committee will review all proposals and make the final selections. Selected presenters will be contacted by **June 13, 2008**.

Because of the complexity in scheduling around other conference activities, presenters will need to be flexible in availability and the acceptance of assigned time slots. Selected presenters will receive complementary conference registration and travel expenses to include one night's lodging.

Presenters will be required to provide all overheads, PowerPoint and other presentation materials by **October 15, 2008**. Presentations will be preloaded on equipment provided. Presenters will not be able to bring or use personal computers for presentations.

Our goal is to ensure that our conference participants are presented with a wide array of informative, relevant, and substantive workshop selections. Your participation will assist us in achieving that goal.

We look forward to hearing from you.

The Program Committee  
2008 Governor's Housing Conference